Claim 12 (amended).

A self-adhesive masking strip, comprised of

- a heat-resistant adhesive tape comprising a paper support one side
  of which is coated with a contact adhesive;
- b) a masking paper adhered to and only partially covering said one side of said adhesive tape and having a width which extends from the locus of its adhesion to said one side of said adhesive tape to beyond one width boundary of said adhesive tape; and
- a masking film adhered to and only partially covering the part of said one side of said adhesive tape left uncovered by said masking paper, and which overlaps and covers said masking paper and has a width which exceeds the width of said masking paper.

## **REMARKS**

This application pertains to a novel masking strip.

Claims 2-9, 11 and 12 are pending, although claim 11 has been withdrawn from consideration as drawn to a non-elected invention. Applicants respectfully request that, upon the allowance of elected subject-matter, the non-elected subject matter be rejoined...